assessment of demand-supply scenario till the year 2003-2004, the Government has decided not to encourage new capacities for production of urea in the country till the year 2003-2004, over and above those fertilizers projects in the public/cooperative sector for which an "in principle" approval, subject to investment appraisal by Public Investment Board (PIB), has already been accorded. The Government will undertake a reivew of this decision regarding creation of new capacity for production of urea in mid 2001 by taking into account the demand and supply scenario for next 10 years. The new policy for setting up of urea plants will be equally applicable to public sector/cooperative sector/private sector.

New Fertilizer Plants

5022. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) The details of the plan of Government to establish fertilizer plants in Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) the places identified for establishment of the new fertilizer plants and capacity expected to be added therefrom; and

(c) by which date these new fertilizer plants would commence commercial production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) to (c) As per the industrial policy resolution dated 24th July, 1991, no license is normally required for setting up/expansion of fertilizer plants. Entrepreneurs are free to set up fertilizer projects anywhere in the country subject to environmental clearance. However, Public Sector Undertakings / Cooperative Societies under the administrative control of the Department of Fertilizers have to obtain approval of the Government before undertaking such capital expenditure beyond their delegated powers. The details of such fertilizer projects along with their location, capacity and expected date of commissioning, submitted for investment approval of the Government under the prescribed procedure are given in the Statement-I, similar details of major fertilizer projects under implementation in the country at present are given in Statement-II, and those major fertilizer projects already commissioned during the Ninth Plan are given in Statement-III *(See* below).

Statement-I

Project proposals posed to the Government by public / cooperative units for investment approval

SI. N.	Name of the PSU/ Cooperative	Location	Estimated Capital Cost *(Rs. Crore)*	Production Envisaged		Completion Schedule
				Product	*Capacity (lakh MTPA)*	
1	Krishak Bharati Cooperative Ltd. (KRIBHCO) (KRIBHCO) (Third stream ammonia-ure^ expansion project)	*Hazira, Gujarat*	1318	Urea	7.68	36 Moriths from the zero date*
2	KRIBHCO (New ammonia-urea plant at the existing site of FCE)	*Gorakhpur, UP*	1536	Urea	7.68	36 months from the zero date
3	Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Ltd. (IFFCO) (Grassroots)	*Nellore, Andhra Pradesh*	1736	Urea	7.68	39 months from the zero date
4	Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers (RCF) (ammonia-urea expansion project)	*Thai, Maharashtra*	1332	Urea	7.68	36 months from the zero date

*Zero date is the date of approval of the proposal by the Government.

Statement-II

Details of major fertilizer projects under implementation in the country

s. No	Name of the project, location and Company/Cooperative	Estimated capital cost (Rs. crore)	Product	Capacity (In lakh MTPA)	Zero date	Scheduled date of commissioning	Remarks
1	Oswal Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd. (New) Paradeep, Orissa	1832.00	DAP NPK NP	15.00 3.20 1.00	Sept. 97	Sept. 99	Trial production has Started in April. 2000
2	Godavari Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd., (GFCL), Kakinada, AP	99.13	DAP	2.8	5.1.98	31.12.01	
3	Revamp of Namrup Plants of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd., (HFC), Namrup, Assam	350.00	Urea	5.30	2.11.98	1.5.2001	The total expenditure incurred on the project till April, 2000, was Rs. 31.02 crore and the overall physical progress 54.70$
4	National Fertilizer Ltd. (NFL) (urea plant expansion project). Nangal, Punjab	135.13	Urea	1 48	11.5.99	11.5.2001	The total expenditure incurred on the project nil April. 2000. was Rs. 24.83 crore and the overall physical progress 64 19
5.	Gujarat State Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd., Vadodara (DAP Expansion Project)	180.00	DAP	3 96	1.9.99	1.7.2001	
6	Indo Gulf Corporation Ltd., Dahej, Gujarat, (new)	32.03	DAP 4.00	July. 99	Oct., 2000		
7	Coromandel Fertilizer Ltd., Vyzag (NPK expansion project)	35.40	NPK	1 25	Sept.. 98	July. 2000	
	Total Estimated Capital Cost : Rs. 2663.69 crore			Total Urea : 4.76 Lakl I MTPA			
	NPK : 04.45 lakh MTPA			DAP : 25.76 lakh MTPA			
	NP : 01.00 lakh MTPA						

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Statement-III

Major fertilizer projects commissioned during the ninth plan period

s. No	Name	Locaton	Sector	Product	Additional Capacity (in lakh TPA)	Cost (Rs. Crore)	Year of Commissi-oning
1	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd. Kalol Exp. Project	Kalol, Gujarat	Cooperative	Urea	1.50	150	Aug.97
2	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd. Phulpur Expansion Project	Phulpur, UP	Cooperative	Urea	7.26	1190	Dec.97
3	Madras Fertilizers Limited, Revamp Project	Chennai, Tamil Nadu	Public	Urea NPK	0.76 1.84	601	March, 98
4	Nagarjuna Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. Kakinada Expansion Project	Kakinada, AP	Private	Urea	4.95	970	March, 98
5 6	Zuari Agro Chemicals Ltd. Goa DAP Expansion. Expansion project of IFFCO Kandla, Kandla, (Phase-II)	Goa Kandla, Gujarat	Private Cooperative	DAP NPK DAP NPK	1.80 1.50 3.70 2.27	N.A. 212	June 98 Nov.. 98 August, 99
7	Hind Lever Chemicals Ltd.,	Haldia, West Bengal	Private	DAP /NPK	4.00	88	April, 99
8	Expansion project of Chambal Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd., (Ph-II)	Gadepan, Rajasthan	Private	Urea	7.75	1256	Oct., 99